

TOPPER TRAVELLER SERIES 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 to 2012.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the ISA or RYA, the Topper Class Association of Ireland (ITCA Irl) and the host club will apply.

2 Advertising

- 2.1 Unrestricted Category C advertising is allowed under Appendix 1 of the ISAF Advertising Code.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The event is open to all boats of the International Topper Class Association, both Full rig and 4.2sq.m rig.
- 3.2 All competitors must be members of a Topper Class Association. Membership can be completed at registration.
- 3.3 All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of the host club for the duration of the event.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying the required fee at each event.

4 Fees

- 4.1 The entry fee is £16 or €16.
- 4.2 Membership fee for the Topper Class Association is £16/€16 for 2009. Alternatively, entrants may pay a One-Event fee of £6/€6.

5 Schedule

- 5.1 The following five Traveller Events are scheduled for 2009:

Sunday 24th May	Traveller 1	EABC (Larne)
Sunday 28th Jun	Traveller 2	SLYC (Strangford Lough)
Saturday 29th Aug	Traveller 3	BYC (Ballyholme)
Saturday 5th Sep	Traveller 4	NYC (Dun Laoghaire)
Sunday 11th Oct	Traveller 5	CSC (Carrickfergus)

- 5.2 Fifteen races are scheduled for the series, three races at each event.
- 5.3 Registration: Competitors should register between 09:00 and 10:00 on the morning of the event.
- 5.4 Competitors Briefing is scheduled for 10:15.
- 5.5 The first warning signal will be made at 11:25. Subsequent races will follow as soon as is practicable. No Warning Signal will be made after 15:00.

6 Measurement.

- 6.1 A boat or equipment may be measured at anytime for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

7 Sailing Instructions.

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

8 The Venue.

- 8.1 The racing area will be described at the briefing.

9 The Courses.

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 Scoring.

- 10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

- 10.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series at each individual Traveller Event.
- 10.3 There will be no discard at an individual Traveller Event.
- 10.4 For the Traveller Series, six races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.5 For the purposes of scoring the Traveller Series, competitors that do not attend a Traveller Event will score 50 points, or the number of competitors at the particular event +5, whichever is greater, for each race sailed at the event.
- 10.6 Discards for the Traveller Series will be as follows:
When 9 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 11 or 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores. When 13 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst three scores.

11 Prizes

- 11.1 Overall 1st to 3rd and 1st lady prize.
- 11.2 Age-category prizes: 1st to 3rd, U12; 1st to 3rd, U14; and 1st to 3rd, U17years. If a sailor is awarded 1st, 2nd, or 3rd overall, he/she is excluded from winning an age-category prize. Age-category is calculated by the age on 1st Jan 2009.
- 11.3 Overall 1st to 3rd prizes for the 4.2 Class.

12 Disclaimer of Liability

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see Rule 4, Decision to Race). The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13 Insurance

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 or equivalent, for the duration of the event.